

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

The Senate was not in session and stands adjourned until 10 a.m. on Thursday, February 9, 2023.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 17 public bills, H.R. 866–882; and 10 resolutions, H. Res. 102–111, were introduced. **Pages H780–81**

Additional Cosponsors: **Page H782**

Reports Filed: There were no reports filed today.

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative James to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H741**

Recess: The House recessed at 10:35 a.m. and reconvened at 12 p.m. **Page H745**

Recess: The House recessed at 12:15 p.m. and reconvened at 2:02 p.m. **Page H747**

Recess: The House recessed at 3:18 p.m. and reconvened at 4 p.m. **Page H757**

Terminating the requirement imposed by the Director of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention for proof of COVID–19 vaccination for foreign travelers: The House passed H.R. 185, to terminate the requirement imposed by the Director of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention for proof of COVID–19 vaccination for foreign travelers, by a yea-and-nay vote of 227 yeas to 201 nays, Roll No. 116. **Pages H747–57, H757–62**

Rejected the Schrier motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Energy and Commerce by a recorded vote of 208 ayes to 220 noes, Roll No. 115. **Pages H760–61**

Agreed to:

Boebert amendment (No. 2 printed in H. Rept. 118–3) that requires the CDC to produce a report

to Congress on the number of visitors denied entry under this policy (by a recorded vote of 253 ayes to 168 noes, Roll No. 111); and **Pages H754, H758**

Rose amendment (No. 4 printed in H. Rept. 118–3) that clarifies that nothing in the underlying bill impacts the CDC order requiring a pre-departure COVID–19 test for people traveling from the People’s Republic of China (by a recorded vote of 426 ayes to 8 noes, Roll No. 113). **Pages H755–56, H759–60**

Rejected:

McGovern amendment (No. 1 printed in H. Rept. 118–3) that sought to clarify that this legislation will not affect the authority of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to mandate vaccination requirements against any other disease in the future for noncitizens who are nonimmigrants entering the U.S. (by a recorded vote of 210 ayes to 222 noes, Roll No. 110); **Pages H753–54, H757–58**

Golden (ME) amendment (No. 3 printed in H. Rept. 118–3) that sought to eliminate the prohibition on future rulemaking (by a recorded vote of 207 ayes to 220 noes, Roll No. 112); and

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Torres (CA) amendment (No. 5 printed in H. Rept. 118–3) that sought to require the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services to certify that such provision will not result in an increase in hospitalizations due to COVID–19 prior to the provisions of section 1 taking effect (by a recorded vote of 209 ayes to 224 noes, Roll No. 114). **Pages H756–57, H760–61**

H. Res. 97, the rule providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 185), and the joint resolutions

(H.J. Res. 24) and (H.J. Res. 26) was agreed to yesterday, February 7th.

Committee Resignation: Read a letter from Representative Houlahan wherein she resigned from the Committee on Foreign Affairs. **Page H762**

Committee Resignation: Read a letter from Representative Spanberger wherein she resigned from the Committee on Foreign Affairs. **Page H762**

Committee Elections: The House agreed to H. Res. 102, electing Members to certain standing committees of the House of Representatives. **Page H762**

Committee Elections: The House agreed to H. Res. 103, electing Members to certain standing committees of the House of Representatives. **Page H762**

Meeting Hour: Agreed by unanimous consent that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 9 a.m. tomorrow, February 9th. **Page H762**

Disapproving the action of the District of Columbia Council in approving the Local Resident Voting Rights Amendment Act of 2022: The House considered H.J. Res. 24, disapproving the action of the District of Columbia Council in approving the Local Resident Voting Rights Amendment Act of 2022. Consideration is expected to resume tomorrow, February 9th. **Pages H762–68**

Quorum Calls Votes: One yea-and-nay vote and six recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H757–58, H758, H758–59, H759–60, H760, H761, and H761–62.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 7:49 p.m.

Committee Meetings

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

Committee on Agriculture: Full Committee held an organizational meeting. The Committee adopted its rules for the 118th Congress. The Committee Staff List, and the Authorization and Oversight plan were adopted.

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

Committee on Appropriations: Full Committee held an organizational meeting. The Committee adopted its rules for the 118th Congress, and confirmed its subcommittee jurisdictions.

STATE OF THE DEFENSE INDUSTRIAL BASE

Committee on Armed Services: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “State of the Defense Industrial Base”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

THE ROLE OF SPECIAL OPERATIONS FORCES IN GREAT POWER COMPETITION

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Intelligence and Special Operations held a hearing entitled “The Role of Special Operations Forces in Great Power Competition”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

AMERICAN EDUCATION IN CRISIS

Committee on Education and Workforce: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “American Education in Crisis”. Testimony was heard from Jared Polis, Governor, Colorado; and public witnesses.

THE FEDERAL RESPONSE TO COVID–19

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Health; and Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a joint hearing entitled “The Federal Response to COVID–19”. Testimony was heard from the following Department of Health and Human Services officials: Lawrence A. Tabak, Senior Official Performing the Duties of the Director, National Institutes of Health; Robert Califf, M.D., Commissioner of Food and Drugs, U.S. Food and Drug Administration; and Rochelle P. Walensky, M.D., Director, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

LIFTOFF: UNLEASHING INNOVATION IN SATELLITE COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGIES

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Communications and Technology held a hearing entitled “Liftoff: Unleashing Innovation in Satellite Communications Technologies”. Testimony was heard from William Richardson, Deputy Associate General Counsel for Agenda Review, Federal Communications Commission; Charles Glass, Chief, International Spectrum Policy Division, National Telecommunications and Information Administration, Department of Commerce; and public witnesses.

SOPHISTICATION OR DISCRIMINATION: HOW THE ACCREDITED INVESTOR DEFINITION UNFAIRLY LIMITS INVESTMENT ACCESS FOR THE NON-WEALTHY AND THE NEED FOR REFORM

Committee on Financial Services: Subcommittee on Capital Markets held a hearing entitled “Sophistication or Discrimination: How the Accredited Investor Definition Unfairly Limits Investment Access for the Non-wealthy and the Need for Reform”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.